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Koji ARAI

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COMMUNICATION METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR A RADIO LOCAL AREA

NETWORK SYSTEM USING A MACRODIVERSITY

For:

RESPONSE AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION **UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116** - EXPEDITED PROCEDURE -

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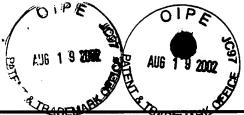
This is in response to the final Office Action mailed May 17, 2002, having a shortened period for response set to expire on August 17, 2002. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please AMEND claims 22 and 23 as follows:

22. (ONCE AMENDED) A communication method for a radio LAN system, comprising: receiving an input signal obtained by time-multiplexing a plurality of signals to be sent to a plurality of terminals;

determining a terminal-unit signal to be sent to a corresponding terminal for each of a plurality of time slots of the input signal;



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Attorney Docket No. 614.1804 **Application Number** 08/796,752 REPLY/AMENDMENT Filing Date February 6, 1997 FEE TRANSMITTAL First Named Inventor Koji ARAI Group Art Unit 2663 0.00 **Examiner Name** P. Nguyen AMOUNT ENCLOSED FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/01) CLAIMS AS Claims Remaining Highest Number Number **AMENDED** After Amendment Previously Paid For Extra Rate Calculations **TOTAL CLAIMS** 20 = 0 X 18.00 = 0.00 9 INDEPENDENT 0 X \$ 84.00 = 13 = 0.00 9 **CLAIMS** Since an Official Action set an original due date of August 17, 2002, petition is hereby made for an 0.00 extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$400); 3 months (\$920); 4 months (\$1,440); 5 months (\$1,960)): If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$320) 0.00 If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110) 0.00 Total of above Calculations = 0.00 RECEIVED Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28) TOTAL FEES DUE = \$ 0.00 AUG 2 2 2002 (1) If entry (1) is less than entry (2), entry (3) is "0". (2) If entry (2) is less than 20, change entry (2) to "20". **Technology Center 2600** (4) If entry (4) is less than entry (5), entry (6) is "0". (5) If entry (5) is less than 3, change entry (5) to "3". **METHOD OF PAYMENT** Check enclosed as payment. Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to the Deposit Account No. below. \boxtimes No payment is enclosed and no charges to the Deposit Account are authorized at this time (unless specifically required to obtain a filing date). **GENERAL AUTHORIZATION** If the above-noted "AMOUNT ENCLOSED" is not correct, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit \boxtimes any overpayment or charge any additional fees necessary to: Deposit Account No. 19-3935 Deposit Account Name STAAS & HALSEY LLP \boxtimes The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application. SUBMITTED BY: STAAS & HALSEY LLP Typed Name Christine Joan Gilsdorf Reg. No. 43,635 Date Signature